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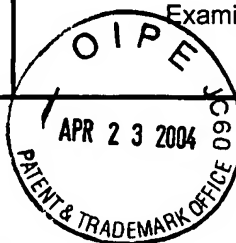
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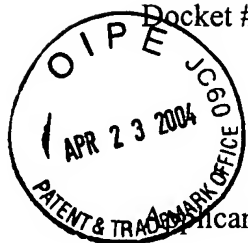
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.121

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced U.S. Application as follows:

In the Specification

Please amend the portion of the specification as indicated by the following marked up version thereof:

Please substitute the full paragraph starting on page 1, line 23 with the following:

~~Japanese Patent Publication Tokkai Hei 10-18173~~ Japanese Patent Publication Tokkai Hei 10-18273.

CONCLUSION

This application is now believed to be in condition for allowance, and such action at an early date is respectfully requested. However, if any matters remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned by telephone.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Assistant Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 50-0374** referencing docket no. 1150.002.

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Respectfully submitted,



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